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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

**MAIL STOP RCE**

Koji SHIGEMATSU et al.

Group Art Unit: 2873

Application No.: 10/028,711

Examiner: S. Sugarman

Filed: December 28, 2001

Docket No.: 111607

For: A PROJECTION OPTICAL SYSTEM, A PROJECTION EXPOSURE  
APPARATUS AND A PROJECTION EXPOSURE METHOD

**LARGE ENTITY REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicants hereby request continued examination.

☒ Applicants further request entry and consideration of the attached submission (Amendment and Information Disclosure Statement).

The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

Attached hereto is our check no. 149724 in the amount of ☒ \$770.00 as payment of the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this page are enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Date: December 30, 2003

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.  
☐ Small entity status of this application has been established.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

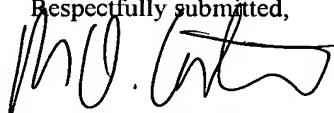
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- ☒ Check No. 149725 in the amount of \$298.00 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this sheet are attached.

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**AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE**

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Sir:

In reply to the October 9, 2003 Notice of Allowance, and after entry of the Request  
for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**

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